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Managing contract bidding of chemical synthesis on computer network comprises evaluating potential suppliers provided by customer , identifying eligible suppliers for bidding on synthesis, and evaluating the bids

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Patent Details:

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US 20020007333	A1		21	G06F-017/60	Provisional application US 2000179727

Managing contract bidding of chemical synthesis on computer network comprises evaluating potential suppliers provided by customer , identifying eligible suppliers for bidding on synthesis, and evaluating the bids

Abstract (Basic):

... on a computer network by evaluating potential suppliers based on factor(s) provided by a **customer** , **identifying** eligible **suppliers** for bidding on the synthesis, evaluating the bids and providing the customer with a list...

... synthesis of a chemical structure, evaluating potential suppliers based on factor(s) provided by the **customer** , **identifying** eligible **suppliers** for bidding on the synthesis, releasing the request for quotation to and receiving bids from...

...An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for a **computerized** system for managing **contract bidding** of chemical synthesis comprising processing unit for processing requests for proposals for synthesis factors supplied by a **customer** , intermediary system central computer for **identifying** potential **suppliers** , **customer** intermediary system for distributing the requests for proposals and soliciting bids on each request for proposals, and database for **identifying** appropriate **suppliers** for the synthesis...

...method provides an algorithm for evaluating set of contracting or synthesis criteria provided by a **customer** and **matching** the **customer** with a **supplier** . These facilitates bidding system by the computer. It provides customized strategies for making the desired...

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BUILDING CONSTRUCTION BID AND CONTRACT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, INTERNET-BASED
METHOD AND COMPUTER PROGRAM THEREFOR
SYSTEME D'APPEL D'OFFRES ET DE GESTION DE CONTRATS DANS LE DOMAINE DE LA
CONSTRUCTION, PROCEDE BASE SUR INTERNET ET PROGRAMME INFORMATIQUE
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Patent and Priority Information (Country, Number, Date):

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Priority Application: US 99137576 19990604; US 99163702 19991105; US
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Publication Language: English

Filing Language: English

Fulltext Word Count: 22042

Fulltext Availability:

Detailed Description

Claims

Detailed Description

... multiple work stations or desktop computers to provide a distributed,
interactive Bid System suitable for **electronic subcontract bidding** .

Figure 23 illustrates one realization of the Internet business method
aspect of the invention. The...stage, and indeed, at each step are sav ed
for future access in a particular **client** user/project file by unique
identifier in archive memory in the computer system 500 of the bid
system 100. The arrows...

...arrow 700 in Fig 23.

The contractors review the sub-contractor bids, approves selected sub-
contract bids , and **electronically** countersigns them, either creating
appropriate contracts (e.g., contracts conditional on it being awarded
the...

Claim

... execution of at least one of said first through fifth program code
means.

16 An **electronic** business method for construction **contract bid** and
construction

management control comprising;

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a) a website, including at least one of design...

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Computerized methods for competitive and collaborative contract
bidding , formation, and performance
Computer-Verfahren zum konkurrierenden und kollaborativen Bieten für
Verträge und zum Abschliessen und Ausführen von Verträgen
Methodes informatiques pour encherir competitivement et collaborativement
des contrats et pour passer et honorer des contrats

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APPLICATION (CC, No, Date): EP 2000109921 000510;

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Computerized methods for competitive and collaborative contract
bidding , formation, and performance

...ABSTRACT from forming business alliances or partnerships, to assuming
primary contractor or sub-contractor roles. The requesting customer
member accesses whatever bids are submitted, and ultimately negotiates
and enters into a contract with a selected vendor member...

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WORKFLOW MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

SYSTEME DE GESTION DE FLUX DES TRAVAUX

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Detailed Description
Claims

English Abstract

...providers (operators). The clearinghouse manages the bidding and
awarding of contracts, by collecting and authorizing **requests** for
proposals (RFPs), **sending bid** invitations to operators that meet the
requirements of the subject, sending a notification that the...

Detailed Description

... up for bid. On-line services, such as BidNet, can collect information
regarding various organizations **requesting bids** for projects.

Usually, an on

line

service collects **bid request** information from different
agencies, e.g., state and local governments, hospitals, universities,
etc., and the...

...has registered with the on-line service and the service has received an
agency's **bid request** that pertains to goods or services provided I 0
by the contractor, the on-line...OF THE INVENTION

An object of the invention is to provide a marketplace for supervised
contract bidding, **electronic** product delivery, payment and
arbitration.

Another object of the invention is to provide subjects and...

...subjects and/or operators) over a network. In addition, the
clearinghouse may accept registration information, **requests** and **bids**
for projects, project information, and authorizations to credit or debit
a user's account.

According the bidding and awarding of contracts, by

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collecting and authorizing **requests** for **proposals** (RFPs), **sending**

bid invitations to operators that meet the requirements of the subject, sending a notification that the...clearinghouse, which may manage the flow of a project, for example, from the time a **bid request** is received until the completed project or completed work product is delivered. First, a subject...

...334), a list of individual translators (310,336) or translator group (314, 340) from whom **bids** should be **solicited**, translator's residency (312, 338). Accordingly, a subject may submit this information by accessing an...

...project coordination module uses the information to conduct the bidding process or to send a **request** to the **bid** management module to initiate the bidding process.

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Accordingly, the workflow management system may use...
...below.

I 0 According to an optional embodiment, the project coordination module may send a **request** to a **bid** management module to commence the bidding process. The bid management module may work together with...the module may maintain a database of qualified bidders, identify and notify qualified operators of **request** for **bid**, accept **bids** from the operators and award bids based on the subject criteria.

The bid management module may receive information regarding a subject's **request** for

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bid either from the project coordination module or directly from the subject. Preferably, the bid I...

...As illustrated in FIG. 3, a subject may submit information, via the New Projects **Request** Form, to the **bid** management module regarding how to award the project: for example, maximum price (318, 342...discussed above.

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The bid management module may determine a group of qualified bidders. The **bid** module may

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send a **request** to the check credential module to confirm a bidder's qualifications.

Once a group of...

...been determined, the bid management module may notify qualified operators by an electronic notification, or a **bid request** may be posted on may noti

the clearinghouse's web site. Referring to FIG. 5...and/or bid 1 5 management module may institute a bidding process by posting a **request** for **bids** or sending **bid** invitations to qualified researchers (operators). The bid winner (operator) may conduct a search and transmit ...

Claim

... 37 A method for providing a workflow management system comprising the steps of
providing supervised **contract bidding** ;
providing **electronic** product delivery to and from a subject and an

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XRPX Acc No: N02-136157

**Managing contract bidding of chemical synthesis on computer network
comprises evaluating potential suppliers provided by customer,
identifying eligible suppliers for bidding on synthesis, and evaluating
the bids**

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**Managing contract bidding of chemical synthesis on computer network
comprises evaluating potential suppliers provided by customer,
identifying eligible...**

Inventor: **EICHENBAUM G M ...**

... SCOLNIK P A

Abstract (Basic):

... **Contract bidding** of chemical synthesis managed on a
computer network by evaluating potential suppliers on
... **Managing contract bidding** of chemical synthesis on a
computer network involves receiving requests for quotation
...

...An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included
managing **contract bidding** of chemical
processing unit for processing requests
factors supplied...

...For managing **contract bidding** of chemical synthesis on a computer
network...

...The figure is a flow chart of the computer-based steps of **contract
bidding**.

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S13	0	S2 AND (S7 OR S8)
S14	5	S1 AND (S3 OR S4 OR S5 OR S6 OR S7 OR S8)
S15	5	RD (unique items)
S16	0	S1 AND S9
S17	0	S1 AND S10
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DIALOG(R)File 2:INSPEC

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04286233 INSPEC Abstract Number: C9301-7102-003

Title: An artificial neural network model for contract bidding

Author(s): Unger, G.D.; Augusteijn, M.F.

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Conference Title: Proceedings. International Symposium on Artificial Intelligence p.64-70

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Publication Date: 1991 Country of Publication: Mexico 572 pp.

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Treatment: Practical (P)

Abstract: The paper examines the feasibility of using an artificial neural network model to support certain strategic management decisions. The hypothesis focuses on the notion that executive managers make strategic decisions based on complex patterns of facts, previous experience, and intuition. Since neural networks are well-suited for pattern matching, they can be used to aid in this type of decision despite the inherently unstructured and highly subjective nature of the problems. The task used to demonstrate the neural net's capabilities involves a common decision for both government and private sector contractors, whether or not to bid on a contract opportunity. (5 Refs)

Subfile: C

Descriptors: contracts; decision support systems; neural nets

Identifiers: DSS; artificial neural network model; contract bidding; strategic management decisions; pattern matching

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Suft the Net for trucks

INDIA: TRUCKBAZAAR.COM MADE ITS DEBUT

The Economic Times (YZY) 25 Nov 2000 online

Language: ENGLISH

Truckbazaar.com, a web site for trucks has been launched in India on 24 November 2000. The website will feature **contract bidding**, new product launches, **on line** syndication of load availability as well as tie-ups with commercial vehicles producers. Truckbazaar.com is a business-to-business web site.

PRODUCT: Motor Vehicles & Parts (3710);

EVENT: Product Design & Development (33);

COUNTRY: India (9IND);

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SEC EXTENDS DEADLINE ON ELECTRONIC FILING PLAN

Wall Street Journal, Col. 3, Pg. 7, Sec. 1

Friday January 30 1987

DOCUMENT TYPE: Newspaper JOURNAL CODE: WSJ LANGUAGE: English

RECORD TYPE: Abstract

ABSTRACT:

SEC extends deadline for submitting **contract bids** on its **electronic** filing system to February 27 (S)

COMPANY NAMES: SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (SEC)

DESCRIPTORS: DATA PROCESSING; CONTRACTS

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**PRIME CONTRACT COMPETITION REGIMES AND SUBCONTRACTING AMONG MILITARY
AIRCRAFT MANUFACTURERS (CONTRACTORS)**

Author: ALEXANDER, BARBARA J.

Degree: PH.D.

Year: 1990

Corporate Source/Institution: HARVARD UNIVERSITY (0084)

Source: VOLUME 51/07-A OF DISSERTATION ABSTRACTS INTERNATIONAL.
PAGE 2460. 108 PAGES

Descriptors: ECONOMICS, GENERAL; ECONOMICS, COMMERCE-BUSINESS; BUSINESS
ADMINISTRATION, GENERAL

Descriptor Codes: 0501; 0505; 0310

This dissertation explores the ability of prime defense contractors to sustain bidding cartels under two different Pentagon competition regimes. The existence of information flows from the Pentagon to contractors regarding bids of competing firms suggests that collusion may be easier to sustain in "paper" competitions than in "prototype" competitions. The difficulty of revising "bids" which consist largely of physical prototypes makes maintenance of collusive agreements much more difficult in prototype competitions. Moreover, a positive profit, non-collusive equilibrium is more likely to exist in prototype competitions, due to technological uncertainty regarding the returns to expenditure on prototypes. A correlation is found between rivalry in paper competitions and the number of subcontracting links between pairs of aircraft manufacturers, suggesting that subcontracts may be used as vehicles for side-payments associated with collusive bidding. An alternative "technical efficiency" hypothesis of subcontracting awards is explored, using patent data and annual report data to **evaluate** production **cost** determinants of aircraft subcontractors. A history of "paper" prime **contract bidding** relationships is found to be a primary determinant of subcontract awards to other aircraft manufacturers. The number of employees per patent shows a moderate (although statistically insignificant) negative correlation with

subcontract awards to radar manufacturers, but a much weaker correlation with awards to other aircraft manufacturers. It is concluded that subcontract awards are likely to be driven at least to some extent by inter-firm side-payments, but that the role of technical efficiency considerations is yet to be determined.

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Chugoku Electric to give suppliers long-term contracts

JAPAN: CHUGOKU TO OFFER THREE-YEAR CONTRACTS

Nikkei Net Interactive (ATM) 19 Apr 2000 NikkeiIndustrial Daily, online
Language: ENGLISH

Suppliers who are willing to give discounted price for parts and materials ordered by Japan's Chugoku Electric Power Co (Chugoku), will be given three-year contracts by the firm. The plan is in line with a new purchasing system introduced by Chugoku. Currently, there only nine items qualify to bid for the contracts. However, the item list may be further expanded. The **contracts bidding** will be carried out by mid-May 2000. Only one or two

suppliers will be **selected** for the contracts. Prior to this, Chugoku has long been giving contracts with one-year period to suppliers.

COMPANY: CHUGOKU ELECTRIC POWER

PRODUCT: Current Carrying Wiring Eqp (3643);

EVENT: Planning & Information (22); Capital Expenditure (43); Use of Materials & Supplies (46);

COUNTRY: Japan (9JPN);

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BIDS REQUESTED FOR PROVISION OF SAR HELICOPTER

IRELAND - **BIDS REQUESTED** FOR PROVISION OF SAR HELICOPTER

Aviation News (AVN) 8 November 1990 p574

ISSN: 0956-1412

Authorities in Ireland have **requested contract bids** for five years from a number of NW European civil operators regarding the provision of a Shannon-based SAR-fitted S-61N type helicopter. Rescue agency sources in the UK believe that the successful operator will have to have an interim machine in place by January/February 1991. The dedicated aircraft will be FLIR-equipped and be able to recover at a 200 naut mi radius up to 18 survivors.

PRODUCT: Airships (3721AI); Helicopter Engines (DEAV);

EVENT: PLANT/FACILITIES/EQUIPMENT (44);

COUNTRY: Ireland/Eire (4IRE); OECD Europe (415); European Economic Community Countries (419); Northern Ireland and Eire (439);

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(NYS Temporary Comm on Living Costs on Oct 21 repts 17% of 550 surveyed school dists rept suppliers have declined to make firm supply contracts; chmn A Stein says many dists indicated curtailed use of school bldgs and possible cessation of operations will result unless mandatory allocations are enacted on Fed level; repts schools and municipalities have been unable to find alternative sources because almost no supplier is accepting new orders; says cos have indicated unwillingness to make deliveries because of feeling higher profits could be made by selling available fuel to highest bidders; says Nassau and Suffolk County will particularly feel shortage because they traditionally get about 50% of 23-million gals that is short; says discontinuance of natural gas has increased demand for oil; cites refusal of King Fuel Co to supply Hoosick Falls Central School Dist in absence of Govt order; says many dists have indicated they will fall back on contingency plans and some rept inability to solicit fuel contract bids ; repts Huntington, NY, will close some public bldgs because of shortages)

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COMPANY NAMES: KING FUEL CO
DESCRIPTORS: BUILDINGS; EDUCATION AND SCHOOLS; GAS (ILLUMINATING AND FUEL)
; HEATING; OIL (PETROLEUM) AND GASOLINE; SHORTAGES
PERSONAL NAMES: SHEPPARD, NATHANIEL JR; STEIN, ANDREW J (BORO PRES)
GEOGRAPHIC NAMES: HOOSICK FALLS (NY); HUNTINGTON (NY); NASSAU COUNTY (NY);
NEW YORK STATE; SUFFOLK COUNTY (NY); UNITED STATES (1973 PART 1)

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GSA FORMING NEW PANEL FOR PHONE CONTRACT BIDS

Wall Street Journal, Col. 3, Pg. 9, Sec. 1

Friday January 29 1988

DOCUMENT TYPE: Newspaper JOURNAL CODE: WSJ LANGUAGE: English

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ABSTRACT:

General Services Administration says it is appointing independent advisory committee to help agency **evaluate** contract **proposals** for new Federal telephone network (S)

COMPANY NAMES: GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (GSA)
DESCRIPTORS: TELEPHONES; TELECOMMUNICATIONS; CONTRACTS
GEOGRAPHIC NAMES: UNITED STATES
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05022438 Supplier Number: 47374791 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
AT&T TARGETS SMALL, MEDIUM SIZE FIRMS WITH GOVERNMENT CONTRACT BIDDING SERVICE

Federal Computer Market Report, p002
May 12, 1997
Language: English Record Type: Fulltext
Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade
Word Count: 270

The Federal Acquisition Streamlining Act (FASA) mandates that all agencies conduct **contract bidding** via **electronic** data interchange (EDI) by late 1999. BidAdvantage uses AT&T's big EDI network, allowing smaller government market players to respond to government **bid requests** in the same fashion as larger corporations with deeper pockets.

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04995686 Supplier Number: 47336885 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
New AT&T service lets companies bid on government contracts.

Business Wire, p04291329
April 29, 1997
Language: English Record Type: Fulltext
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Word Count: 510

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03790439 Supplier Number: 45396926 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
GE bid system met with caution: Suppliers wary of online method

Crain's Cleveland Business, p3
March 13, 1995
Language: English Record Type: Fulltext
Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Tabloid; Trade
Word Count: 987

... award contracts strictly on the basis of the lowest price. The system allows GE to **solicit contract bids** via a computer **network** instead of using old-fashioned personal contacts and sales calls.

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07830798 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 16784095 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
GE bid system met with caution; suppliers wary of online method. (General Electric Co.'s Global Electronic Marketplace)
Prizinsky, David
Crain's Cleveland Business, v16, n11, p3(2)
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AT&T: New AT&T service lets companies bid on government contracts
M2 Presswire, pN/A
April 30, 1997
Language: English Record Type: Fulltext
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Word Count: 542

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Litton Protest Raises Questions About New Loral Operation

PHILIP J. KLASS

Aviation Week & Space Technology, Vol. 130, No. 6, Pg 57

February 6, 1989

JOURNAL CODE: AW

SECTION HEADING: Avionics ISSN: 0005-2175

WORD COUNT: 1,014

TEXT:

... retained individuals or companies to obtain improper internal information relating to the award of a **contract** ."

BID REQUESTS ISSUED

Loral's **Electronic** Systems Div. as well as its Defense Systems-Akron Div., which it acquired from Goodyear...
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